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This is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 16, 2001, and having a period for response set to expire on October 16, 2001. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed by October 16, 2001.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested because the amendments and remarks clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the relied upon references.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please **REPLACE** claims 1, 2, 6, and 27-34 as follows.

1. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) A system managing resources allocated to groups of workers that carry out jobs using computers, said system comprising:
a resource manager that stores and manages resources of jobs according to groups of

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